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Interference

All claims are allowable. However, due to a potential interference, *ex parte* prosecution is SUSPENDED FOR A PERIOD OF 6 MONTHS from the date of this letter. Upon expiration of the period of suspension, applicant should make an inquiry as to the status of the application.

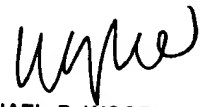
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EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY RECORD

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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| (1) Justin D. Karjala <i>grr</i> | (3) Delia Ramirez |
| (2) P. Achutamurthy | (4) |

Date of Interview _____

Type: ☐ Telephonic ☒ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☒ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description: _____

Agreement ☐ was reached with respect to some or all of the claims in question. ☒ was not reached.

Claims discussed: 4a, 13, 24

Identification of prior art discussed: of record

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: _____

Language of claim 4a (comprising), Method of claim 13 has 102/103 issues to overcome, Claim 24 should indicate the polypeptide being produced.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

☐ 1. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

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